WRANGLING COMMISSIONERS

Hard Fight in the Police Board Over the Fourth Inspector of Election.

MR. FRENCH ON THE OFFENSIVE.

The Extraordinary Term Decides in Favor of Tammany.

A MANDAMUS ISSUED

To Compel the Appointment of the Wigwam Inspectors.

Immediately on the assembling of the extraorlinary General Term of the Supreme Court, at A. M. yesterday, Presiding Judge Davis in suired of counsel if any desired to be heard further onse he said Associate Judge Barrett would proceed to state the conclusions to which the Court had unanimously come as to the form of the order to be assued to the Board of Police and their reasons therefor. Judge Barrett then proceeded to state orally, and in a very succinct and clear manner, that the Court, while mindful of the well settled rule that they had power to direct a subordinate body to act, they were yet aware that they could not clear they had no right nor power to interfere with the proper exercise of its discretion by the Police Board. The Court was equally clear that they had power to construe the law under which the Board acted, and to compel the exercise of that dis-pretion in the light of such construction. It had been held that the entire body of democratic rs should be considered in selecting two of the ur inspectors to be appointed in each district. terpreted by the Court by selecting from the 90,000 that party numbering but 30,000 voters, and entirely tical method of making the original decision the Court effectual but to select the remaining inspec-

THE ORDER.

The order of the Court, in conformity with the opinion, was then handed down. It reads as fol-

that if any rosigned or were removed the order of the Court might stil have effect.

Mr. Field—What! an alternative writ—
Judge Davis—The Court does not desire to hear argument on that point. We are determined to ter-minate this affair now.

Mr. Bangs then asked that the words "judgment of the Court" might be inserted in the order with a view to the right of appeal, and to this there was in-terposed no objection.

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THE MAYOR'S ATTITUDE.

Mr. Field, addressing Mr. Bangs, asked if it was the intention of the Mayor to proceed to remove Commissioner Frenchy Mr. Bangs replied that he believed the Mayor had formed no intention to remove anybody without first giving them a hearing. All the Mayor wanted was to be informed by the Court of the law and then to apply it to any of the Court of the law and then to apply it to any of the Court of the law and then to apply it to carry out the views of the Court. Mr. Field moved for an order that the Mayor be made a party to the proceeding. The order could do no harm, as the Mayor wanted to try Commissioner French for doing just what the Court said he must do. "We have but half an hour," anded Mr. Field, as he turned and looked anxiously at the clock on the wall.

Judge Brady asked Mr. Bangs if he could give assensure to the Court that no proceedings would be taken before the Mayor.

"I can give assurance," answered Mr. Bangs, "that none will be taken if my advice is followed."

"Can you give any assurance that your advice will be followed?" turther inquired Judge Brady.

Mr. Bangs replied that his advice had been followed hisherto, and he believed it would be followed new, but could give no assurance beyond that. He was just fillormed by his colleague, however, that the Mayor had announced, on the previous evening, his intention to adjourn the hearing in the case of Commissioner French te another day. Mr. Root, on the part of Commissioner French, then expressed surprise that the notice for the Broduction of minutes and witnesses before the Mayor should have been served only yesterday morning.

"What is the date of that notice?" asked Mr. Bangs.

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"It is dated the 3d," answered Mr. Root, "but was served this morning."
"It this is jand I do not doubt it is) an ex parte application against the Mayor," said Mr. Bangs, "it is proper that I should retire."

Mr. Field said it was quite proper for counsel to retire who represented clients whose intention it was to defy the Court's orders.

Mr. Root then read an affidavit of Commissioner French as to what was done in the Police Board in the morning, and how some of the Commissioners refused to act until served with the order of the Court, "thus," said Mr. Root, "showing that the Board was more anxious to prepare minutes (occupying most of the session) for the use of the Mayor than to carry out the order of the Mayor, adding the statement of his belief that they had arrived at a point when, judging from the defendant's action, it became the judiciary to determine whether it would execute its process or whether it would be consensed.

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Judge Davis said the Court would deny the present motion, with leave to apply to any justice, if there were reason to fear action on the part of the Mayor. To make such an order then would be to suspect the highest magistrate of this city not only of an intention to become guilty of a contempt of court, but of grossly mipeding the administration of justice.

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An Explanation.

The Corporation Counsel's assistant asked of the Court an explanation as to the duty of the Board under the order, as framed, in selecting the remaining inspectors from the ranks of Tammany Hall, to which Judge Davis replied:—"The persons to be spinointed are from among those now acting in harmony with Tammany Hall. The law must be executed in its true spirit, and the party as now existing must have fair representation."

An adjournment was then taken till five o'clock.

THE MANDAMUS.

When the Court again net it was informed by counsel that the Mayor had abendoned or dismissed the first charges against Commissioner Wheeler, and had adjourned the hearing on the new charges until need to morrow. As to the Board, it was getting on at a slow pace with the appointment of inspectors. All that remained for the Court to do, under those circumstances, was to issue its writ of mandams under which the Commissioners are to be brought before the Court for disobedience of its order, if at all. The writ is a follows:—

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York, greating:—
Whoreas un application was made to a General Term of
our Supreme Court held at the County Court doese in the
eity of New York wherein the people on the relation of
Köbert Van Wyck and others are plaintiffs and
DeWitt C. Whooler, Stephen B. Fronch, Charles
F. MacLean and James E. Morrison are de-

DISGRACEFUL SCENES AT THE MEETING OF THE POLICE BOARD-STILL WRANGLING OVER THE TOURTH INSPECTOR OF ELECTIONS

The crowd which attended the meeting of the the deadlock which has paralyzed all efforts to ap restore harmony in the proceedings of the Commis-sioners. Tammany Hall was represented by a score republicans were also in abundance. The trick played on Friday morning by the republicans rethe Board room at precisely sine o'clock. Mr. Secor and Elihu Root sat at the toot of the table—the for

rest of the Tammany braves seemed to regard the room as their rightful camping ground. Mr. French moved that the reading of the min-utes be dispensed with, "The proceedings of this Board have become farcical," he said. "The Mayor is constantly preferring trivolous and ridiculous charges against me, and he may prefer further

The reading of the minutes was then proceeded with by Deputy Clerk Kipp. Mr. French said that been omitted, and the minutes were incomplete without this important item. Mr. MacLean asked his private stenographer, who sat opposite Mr

rapher, "was so offensive to me on Thursday that

faces. He made some of the most frightful exhibitions. I suppose it is due to his training as your

"As I have heard remarked," replied Mr. French, "there are none so blind as those who won't see."
"I think Mr. French's manner is a successful imi.

Morrison dryly.

Commissioner French rose to his feet and said, in tones trembling with rage, "I don't want you to be the judge of my criticisms."

evitable between the infuriated Commissioners; but after a short wrangle all hands resumed their seats,

THE ORDER RECEIVED. rendered its decision in favor of Tammany Hall, and that the inspectors of election had to be appointed without any delay. Mr. MacLean said he had not of his inadvertent remarks regarding the selection of inspectors from the ranks of Tammany Hall."
At this Mr. French fired up and said, turning to Mr. MacLean, "There can be no mistake in the language of the decision. I think it is a part of the frivolous proceedings of this Board to object to the appointment of inspectors of election at once. And you, sir, who have been trained to the law, ought to be the last to be in any doubt as to the policy of the Supreme Court in this matter. Knowing Judge Davis personally, you cannot deny that be is not the kind of a man who takes back anything. I think we ought to get through the appointments by cleven o'clock."

"Why are you so anxious to get through at that particular time?" saked Mr. Morrison, quizzingly. "If you are locked up for deretiction of duty you will then guess my motives," was the sharp answor. A communication from Mayor Cooper was read, requiring the chief and deputy clerks of the Police Department to appear at the City Hall and produce the minutes and books of the department or the months of July, August and September. On motion of Mr. French the communication was adopted and the chief clerk directed to comply with the Mayor's orders.

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"I now move," said Mr. French, "that the following named persons be appointed as inspectors of election for the First Assembly district," He then read a list of names for each election district. "These names," said be, "I will youch for personally," Mr. Morrison called his attention to the fact that some of the inspectors of election had already been appointed for the First district, and the Second Assembly district was moved instead. At the close of the list Mr. French youched for the names submitted, "I don't think," said Mr. Morrison, "that the Supreme Court decision compels us to appoint the names on this list..."

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"I am not interrupting," said the latter.

"I beg your pardon, but you certainly are," tartly responded Mr. Morrison.

"You will need to beg pardon from a higher tribunal than this before I get through with you or these proceedings," answered Mr. Root, getting red in the face.

"You have no right to spaak here."

"Yes, I have. This is a public meeting of public officials, and the gentleman can make no personal remark to which I have not the right to reply."

The motion to adopt the list was lest, and Mr. French proceeded to read the list of Lammany names for the Third Assembly district. The question was put to a vote at dwas lest on an even vote. At this time Mr. French leaned across the table and began to whisper to Elihu Root, sharply eyed by Mr. MacLean, who finally broke out with:

"Don't be afraid to speak out, Mr. French; you have no need to whisper here."

"I am not afraid, sir," said Mr. French, bristling up. "It there ever was a man who needed that admonition it is yourself; for when you are not muttering in English you are talking in a foreign tongue. The other day you had the audacity to hand me the decision of the Supreme Court in a German paper, when you knew very well that I did not understand a single word of the language."

"You knew that you asked me for it," responded Mr. MacLean.

"What, I? Oh, you cunning lawyer! You knew botter than to say that. This is our polished lawyer and German moved to submit a list headed by the name of Henry A. Gumbleton for the one offered by Mr. French. Mr. Wheeler ascertained for Mr. Morrison that the persons named were adherents of Tammany Hall. During the discussion which ensued it was hinted that one of the persons was a candidate for office.

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"You let the matter alone," cried Mr. French; "I won't brook your corrections any more than your colleague's remarks."

After a tremendous amount of questioning and cross-examination Messrs. French and Wheeler decided to accept five hames if the balance of the list was laid over for turther consideration. The names were Francis Murray, John McGinn, Henry Jehne, Charles Kech, Jr., and Peter Mitchell. They were adopted by a vote. It was then moved that the meeting be adjourned until half-past three o'clock in the afternoon. "Then," said Mr. MacLean, "we will renew the fun." The motion was carried and the room was empted.

The Fight Renewed.

"Sit down," BY GMT, Medican, "the Board will take care of that." The rest of the qualification questions were answered by Mr. Blovin. Mr. MacLoan of Mr. Morrison would say, "In the Fourteenth district, I mane Mr. Black. His political showing the man's qualification. For a moment shore is a full in the general and promiseuous conversation, and then the question is about being put to vote when Mr. Wheeler, who is being constantly coached by Mr. Bliss, both of whom have their heads bent over an Assembly district map, suddenly exclaims, "Hold on, he has been moved from one district into another."

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Another applicant is put up, and at the outset a tochnical objection debars the further chances of his political urefarment. His mother is in delicate health, for instance, or he is a clerk in a police court. "Ob, what has that to do with it?" testily domands Mr. MacLoan. Mr. Fromeh, who is watchful of the movements and opinions of his willy political adversaries impulsively such as a state of the movements and opinions of his willy political adversaries impulsively such as a state of the movements and opinions of his willy political adversaries impulsively such cannot serve and then fining them \$10.0."

THE KYENING'S ENTERTAINMENT.

From eight o'clock in the evening this midnight, when a recess was taken over the Sabbath, it was a kind of hurdle race, in which the Commissioners skipped from one district to another, agreed upon one man here and rejected another there, as it suited chowed them. The space within hearing distance of the proceedings was crowded continually, and men "of great influence" in their was the continual part of the province of the proceedings was crowded continually, and men "of great influence" in their was the province of the proceeding of the province of the proceeding of the province of the province of th

The fact that yesterday was set down by Mayor

"MY TURN NEXT."

the Court of Special Sessions yesterday to a tall gen-tleman who was about leaving the room.

"Yes," was the reply, "it is." "Then, I must arrest you, sir." continued the

"What!" queried Mr. Hoss, in a tragic whisper "arrest me? On what grounds?"
"Well," answered the officer apologetically, "here's the paper sir," showing an affidavit and complaint. It read "Charles Blaikle vs. Jacob Hoss,

"here's the paper sir," showing as affidavit and complaint. It read "Charles Blaikie vs. Jacob Hess, felonious assault." Beneath this were the words "six months," signed by Bankson T. Morgan, presiding justice of the court. Mr. Hess inrued and giared at Clerk Blaikie, who looked the other way. The clerk's face was, however, ominously grave. The astonished gentleman was conducted before the magistrate, and there informed that Blaikie had made affiavit that he was in danger of his life from his (Hess') threats to blow him into eternity with a revolver.

"I have carefully considered the case," said the magistrate. "I believe you to be in the wrong, and send you to the Island for six months in default of \$300 bail to be of good behavior."

The accused produced the necessary bail and was released He seemed very angry as he passed out the door. It was a practical joke played by Blaikie, who, it appears, at a political meeting up town a few mights ago asked that one of his friends be given a position in the Street Cleaning Department. Mr. Hess. who is a Commissioner of Charities and Correction, it is stated refused the political ambition. This was Hess' joke. Blaikie's followed. The two men were seen together on friendly terms shortly after Court adjourned, so it is supposed that the jokes were adjudged of equal merit. There were, however, many of those present in Court when the above scene was enacted who said that the whole affair looked like a travesty on justice.

NOT WHAT SHE PAID FOR

Mrs. Gertrade Brown, of Paterson, N. J., lately in-Coogan Brothers, furniture dealers in the Bowary sum of \$40 which she claimed to have paid on a set of furniture. She slleges in her complaint sum of \$40 which she claimed to have paid on a set of furniture. She alleges in her complaint that, in company with several friends, she visited New York and selected furniture at the store of the desendant, agreeing to pay \$112 for the set. She paid \$40 down and the balance was to be paid in monthly instalments of \$10 each. When the furniture arrived in Paterson it was not the same set she had selected, but one of far inferior quality. She at once notified the defoudant thats she would not pay for the goods sent, and demanded either the return of the \$40 or the delivery of the set she claimed that she had selected. Defendants required to de either, but threatened to take away the furniture bought, so that Mrs. Brown would lose \$40. In order to defeat them she at once obtained an attachment on the furniture for the \$40 paid sind instituted the suit. Judge Hopper on Friday evening, after hearing the evidence in the case, gave judgment for plaintiff the for full amount claimed. The case was watched with considerable interest by several other Paterson parties, who also claim to have been swindled by New York furniture dealers, the goods in most cases proving utterly worthless and not at all as represented.

The young man, Robert Stewart, who was shot on Friday morning by Bernard Broucks, died at the Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, at about cloven o'clock yesterday forenoon, from the effects of his wound. The shooting is said to have been done in self-defence. Corner Simms directed Dr. A. W. Shepard to make a post-mortem examination.

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William Mechan, a boy of fourteen, was found on Friday night lying drunk in an alleyway in Washington street. He was taken to the Charles street police station, where, on recovering his senses, he said he had procured liquor at a saloon close to the spot where ne was found. He and two other boys, he said, had entered the place and drank till they were saupened, when they were ejected, in the Jefferson Market Court, yesterday, Justice Flammer fined him \$10 and sent the papers to the Corporation Attorney, that the saloon keeper might be prosecuted for selling to minors.

REPUBLICAN RATIFICATION.

An Enthusiastic Mass Meeting at Cooper Institute.

GRANT AND THE SOLID SOUTH.

Vigorous Speech by United States District Attorney Woodford.

PROSPECTS OF VICTORY.

That gentleman came forward, in response to a manimous vote, and addressed the gathering as fel-

THE RESOLUTIONS.

Colonel Charles S. Spencer next came forward with
the following resolutions, which were read and

country of Onordaga, for State Engineer and Surveyor, and that to these candidates we pledge our cordial support.

Resolved, That we indorse the republican platform adopted by the Republican State Convention by which these candidates were nominated as a truthful and able statement of the principles of the republicans of New York; and also pledge ourselves anow to the nation's supremacy, equal rights, free elections and hencest money.

Resolved, That we especially commend the letter of acceptance of our candidate for the form of the support of the agricultural, manufacturing, commercial and ishort interests of the State.

Resolved, That we congratulate the republicans of this State and the nation upon the bright and brightening prospects of the rapublican party, and that we confidently assure them that in the coming contest the republicans of the city of New York will see to it that republican majorities of the equality shall not be overwhelmed by a democratic majority in the city.

Resolved, That we welcome with pride and affection the relation of Andrew Jackson to properly apoken of the country shall not be properly apoken of the country shall not be properly apoken of the support of Andrew Jackson to the new test and the safe of the measure of his country's glory."

reign is our country of that grost capitals and leyst patriot, Ulysses & Grant. The words spoken by Thomas Jefferson of Androw Jackson can be properly spoken of him, "Honor and gratitude to him who has filled the measure of his country's glory."

The reading of the last resolution brought on another round of cheers and applause, after which Mr. Benjamin H. Brewster, of Philedelphia, the first of the anniounced speakers who was introduced, began as follows;—

"We have passed during the last winter through a frightful and dangerous political crisis, and the result of the campaign in this state this fall will probably have a madional effect and might probably impair the fortunes or the republican party at the coming election or 1880. I do not say that the election in this State will determine the result in 1880; but I do say that if the State of New York shall cast her vote now for Alonzo B. Cornell and ciect him, the success of the republican party in 1880 is certain." After culogizing Mr. Cornell in his private and public life, the speaker continued:—"His nomination has united the republican party, and, happily for us, the democratic party is dismitted. As the democrates were once toward the Union and their country, so they are now toward each other—in a state of insurrection. The result of this campaign to the democratic party will be dissolution and death. Mr. Tilden—(hisses). Don't hiss, gentlemen; he is not an old goose, but an old fox. (Laughter.) Mr. Tilden has strained the organization of that party until it has resulted in rebellion. The anthority which he desolute their country. The end of this will be the end of Mr. Tilden.

The democratic party, reorganized and re-established in power, has only obtained control to shuse it, to betray it and to expose to the people list utter incapacity and want of nicelly and loyality to the cause of country. The corner stone of the bases of that reorganization is the doctrine of States of that reorganization is the doctrine of States of that reorganization is the doc

BUSY POLITICIANS.

THE DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE. At the St. James Hotel Mr. Lamont was found is president. Among the visitors were Samuel D. Babcock, Judge Henderson, of Cattaraugus; Ciargeon N. Potter, General Pearsall, James S. Wa among those who signed the paper, giving their alle gisnes to Robinson and resigning their connection with Tammany Hall, were Charles E. Loew, Franklis Edson and S. D. Babecek and thirteen others. Mr. Lamont said that they had got a roomful of clerks and a truckful of documents.

THE ANTI-TAXMANY COMMITTEE.

The anti-Tammany Committee of 250 met last night in room 24 of the Cooper Institute, with Mr. pointed at a previous meeting to devise a plan for the campaign made a report recommending the appointment of executive and finance com-mittees of fitteen members each, and committees mittees of fitteen members each, and committees on meetings and speakers, correspondence, natural ization and printing of nine members each. The committees were not announced. It was also determined to appoint district committees of five members for each Assembly district, and Mr. Matthew P. Breen was anxious they should be named at once. There is no organization yet, he said, sithough it was impossible to disguise the fact that Tammany Hall is at work—at work in a way that is dangerous. Tammany Hall, he declared, does not confine itself to the truth. In his district Mr. Robinsor is believed to be a monster of political iniquity and John Kelly's very good man. Bill Mr. Breen's wish was not immediately gratified. Messra E. Godfrey Gunther, Frederick B. Coudert, W. L. Cole, Charles H. Winfield and E. E. Androws were chosen additional vice chairmen. A resolution was passed hiring the rooms at Twenty-third street and Broadway as the permanent headquarters of the committee, which then adjourned to meet in their new quarters on Thursday evening next.

NEWARK'S DEMOCRACY.

The democracy of Newark met in convention yes terday with Dr. Thomas Dunn English as president, and nominated for Mayor Alderman W. H. F. Fiedler. But one ballot was taken. It stood, Fiedler, 59; F. H. Teese, 43. The nomination was made unani-mous. George D. Randell was nominated for Water Commissioner, Frank Quinn for Tax Commissioner, Commissioner, Frank Quinn for Tax Commissioner, Charles Marsh for Trustee of Gity Home and Townsend Dusenbury and John Peil as Surveyors of Highways. The platform adopted inderses the course of the democracy in Congress and arraigns the republicans of Newark for municipal extravagance and mismanagement. A resolution was also adopted making the republicans answerable for the present state of feeling in reference to the Sunday liquor traffic, which, it is claimed, is hurtful to morality and the interests of the community in general. It also pledged the democracy to oppose the enforcement of portions of laws in the interest of sections of the population.

MR. LOESER'S SUICIDE.

An inquest was held by Coroner Simms, of Brook-An inquest was need by Coroner Simms, or Brook-lyn, yesterday, regarding the death of John Fordinand Looser, the tobacconist, who hung him-soif at his residence, No. 443 Pacific street, on Friday afternoon. A daughter of the deceased, Christias Losser, aged fifteen years, testified that on her return from school on that day she found her father in the extension of the pariors on his knees, partly suspended, with a rope around his neck. The end of the rope was made fast to a nail in the knoes, partly suspended, with a rope around his neck. The end of the rope was made fast to a nati in the wood work of the door. Christine said sho ran up stairs and told her mether, who lifted him up in his arms. She procured a knife and after cetting the the rope from round her tather's neck throw cold water in his face and endeavored to revive him. He looked at her mother and then expired. A physician was summoned, but his services were unavailing. He was metancholy and depressed in spirits, and in his conversation dwell on the subject of misfortune in business and trouble caused him by one of his sons. The pastor of the German Evangelical Church, Rev. Theodore H. Drosel, testified that he had known the deceased for more than four years, and had noticed that since he lost his business some months ago he had become melancholy. The pastor said he was positively convinced that deceased was suffering from methal debility when he committed suicids. Otto J. Eggers and Dr. McClelland testified, that they believed the necessed to have been instan. The jury found a verdict to the effect that deceased committed suigide by hanging while laboring under temporary aborration of the mind. Deceased it life is said to have been instanced for a considerable amount.